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CARLOS MUSEUM ANNOUNCES MARCH EVENTS WITH WORLD-RENOWNED EGYPTOLOGISTS

...Featuring Zahi Hawass, Peter Lacovara, David Silverman...

Atlanta (February 25, 2009)—The Michael C. Carlos Museum announces key Egyptian-themed events for March, 2009. Highlights include "Blessings and Curses in Ancient Egypt," with Dr. David Silverman, curator of "Tutankhamun: The Golden King and the Great Pharaohs," and a public presentation by Dr. Zahi Hawass, secretary general of Egypt's Supreme Council of Antiquities. Carlos Museum's Curator of Egyptian, Nubian and Near Eastern Art, Dr. Peter Lacovara will conduct a tour of "Wonderful Things: The Harry Burton Photographs and the Discovery of the Tomb of Tutankhamun."

Event Details:

- Dr. David Silverman—"Blessings and Curses in Ancient Egypt," at the Carlos Museum on March 5, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.
- Dr. Zahi Hawass—"Mysteries of King Tut Revealed," at the Boisfeuillet Jones Atlanta Civic Center on March 19, 2009 at 7:30 p.m.
- Dr. Peter Lacovara—Tour of "Wonderful Things: The Harry Burton Photographs and the Discovery of the Tomb of Tutankhamun" at the Carlos Museum on March 20, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.

In "Mysteries of Tutankhamun Revealed," Dr. Hawass will discuss CT-scans of Tutankhamun's mummy that were obtained as part of a landmark Egyptian research and conservation project, partially funded by National Geographic. Dr. Hawass will also discuss the ongoing search for the mummy of Queen Nefertiti, and the discovery of KV63, the chamber recently found in the Valley of the Kings. Dr. Hawass will reveal new secrets discovered at the pyramids and detail his search for the tomb of Cleopatra and Mark Anthony. A member of the Carlos Museum's advisory board, Dr. Hawass is one of the world's foremost authorities on Egyptian archaeology and is known for his devotion and untiring efforts to promote and protect Egypt's cultural and archaeological heritage. A book signing will follow his lecture.

Tickets are \$8 if purchased in advance at www.ticketmaster.com. All tickets are \$12 at the door. Carlos Museum members receive two free tickets, while quantities last, to Dr. Hawass' lecture and save up to 20% on Carlos Museum membership. Visit www.carlos.emory.edu/joinTUT or call 404-727-2623 for more information.

Dr. David Silverman, curator of "Tutankhamun: The Golden King and the Great Pharaohs" and Eckley Brinton Coxe, Jr. Professor of Egyptology, Department of Near Eastern Languages, University of Pennsylvania, will speak on "The Blessings and Curses of Ancient Egypt." This event is part of a lecture series bringing distinguished scholars to the Emory campus each year and is generously endowed by the architectural firm Perkins + Will. On March 20, 2009, Dr. Peter Lacovara, curator of ancient Egyptian, Nubian, and Near Eastern art at the Carlos Museum, will conduct a tour of the companion exhibition "Wonderful Things: The Harry Burton Photographs and the Discovery of the Tomb of Tutankhamun." For more information, visit http://www.carlos.emory.edu/wonderful-things

March events include:

"Divine Beasts: Two-part Egyptian Animals Drawing and Painting workshop with Zoo Atlanta" on March 8, 2009 at Zoo Atlanta and March 15, 2009 at the Carlos Museum from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. "Mythology and Iconography of Divine Kingship in Ancient Egypt" a lecture by Dr. Lanny Bell, visiting professor of Egyptology, Brown University, will take place at the Carlos Museum on March 30 at 7:00 p.m. For more information, visit www.carlos.emory.edu/programs-and-partners.

"Tutankhamun: The Golden King and the Great Pharaohs" is organized by National Geographic, AEG Exhibitions and Arts and Exhibitions International, with cooperation from the Egyptian Supreme Council of Antiquities. Sponsored by Northern Trust, the exhibition in Atlanta is developed in partnership with the Michael C. Carlos Museum of Emory University and will run from November 15, 2008 to May 17, 2009. Visit carlos.emory.edu for more information.

Location: 571 South Kilgo Circle, Atlanta, Georgia 30322, U.S.A. **Telephone**: 404-727-4282 **Fax:** 404-727-4292 **Hours**: Tuesday through Saturday 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Sunday 12 noon - 5 p.m. (Closed on Mondays and university holidays) **Admission**: \$7 donation. Free for Carlos Museum members and Emory University faculty, students, and staff. **Public Tours**: Free docent-led tours of the Museum depart from the Rotunda on Level One every Sunday at 2:30 p.m. during the Emory academic year (call 404-727-4282 to confirm).

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